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TO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SREF

SUBJECT: IRC INDOCHINESE REFUGEE MEDICAL PROGRAM

1. DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS THAT IRC OFFICIAL, ROBERT DEVECCHI MET WITH UNHCR REP BERTA DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO THAILAND. ACCORDING TO IRC, BERTA EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR IRC MEDICAL PROGRAM ASSISTING INDOCHINESE REFUGEES IN THAILAND AND HIS HOPE THAT IT WOULD CONTINUE SO LONG AS THIS DID NOT REDUCE FUNDS AVAILABLE TO BERTA FOR PRESENT UNHCR OPERATION.

2. IF THIS IS AN ACCURATE REFLECTION OF BERTA'S POSITION, IT CONTAINS A BASIC MISAPPREHENSION AS TO FUNDING POSSIBILITIES. DEPARTMENT HAS MADE IT CLEAR TO IRC THAT NO FURTHER USG FUNDS WILL BE FORTHCOMING FOR SUPPORT OF INDOCHINESE REFUGEES IN THAILAND EXCEPT THOSE PROVIDED THROUGH UNHCR. SINCE IRC DOES NOT HAVE ADEQUATE FUNDS TO CONTINUE

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THIS PROGRAM WITHOUT ASSISTANCE, DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS THEY PLAN TO PHASE THE PROGRAM OUT THIS SUMMER.

3. UNHCR MAY FEEL THAT MEDICAL NEEDS OF REFUGEES CAN BE BETTER MET IN SOME OTHER FASHION AND DEPARTMENT DOES NOT WISH TO INTERFERE IN BERTA'S OPERATION. NEVERTHELESS, WE PRESUME THAT IRC'S DEPARTURE WILL LEAVE A GAP WHICH WILL

HAVE TO BE FILLED. IF UNHCR DOES NOT CHOOSE TO CONTRACT WITH IRC FOR THIS PURPOSE, THEY SHOULD TAKE STEPS TO ASSURE A CONTINUATION OF BASIC MINIMUM MEDICAL SERVICES FROM AN ALTERNATIVE SOURCE IN A TIMELY FASHION.

4. REQUEST BOTH EMBASSY BANGKOK AND MISSION GENEVA ASSURE THAT UNHCR UNDERSTANDS OUR POSITION ON THIS MATTER.

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